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SUBJECT: IAEA SYMPOSIUM ON NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL STANDARDIZATION OF RADIATION DOSIMETRY

1. IN CONNECTION WITH U.S. OFFER TO HOST SUBJECT SYMPOSIUM NEXT YEAR, MISSION UNDERSTANDS THAT KANE/ERDA, DURING HIS RECENT VISIT TO IAEA, TENTATIVELY AGREED WITH NAJAR OF AGENCY STAFF TO TRY TO SCHEDULE SUBJECT SYMPOSIUM DURING PERIOD OCTOBER 31-NOVEMBER 4, 1977.

2. AGENCY TECHNICAL STAFF INVOLVED NOW POINT OUT THAT SIXTH WORLD CONGRESS OF INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF RADIOGRAPHERS AND RADIOLOGICAL TECHNICIANS IS SCHEDULED TO BE HELD IN RIO DE JANEIRO OCTOBER 19-21, AND THAT 14TH INTERNATIONAL RADIOLOGY CONGRESS ALSO SCHEDULED TO BE HELD IN RIO OCTOBER 23-29. SINCE SEVERAL PARTICIPANTS AT THESE MEETINGS WOULD ALSO BE INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN SUBJECT SYMPOSIUM, AGENCY IS CONCERNED THAT THREE-WEEK PERIOD IS TOO LONG FOR MOST SCIENTISTS TO BE AWAY FROM THEIR WORK, AND ACCORDINGLY, THAT ATTENDANCE AT SUBJECT SYMPOSIUM MIGHT SUFFER AS A RESULT.

3. AGENCY TECHNICAL STAFF MEMBER ALSO POINTS OUT THAT
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AMERICAN RADIOLOGICAL SOCIETY AND AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

OF PHYSICISTS IN MEDICINE PLAN TO CONVENE A MEETING IN CHICAGO DECEMBER 5-9. IN LIGHT OF THIS, AGENCY BELIEVES WEEK OF NOVEMBER 27-DECEMBER 2, I.E., WEEK IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING LATTER MEETING, MIGHT BE PREFERABLE PERIOD TO CONVENE SUBJECT SYMPOSIUM.

4. AGENCY CONFERENCE STAFF WISHES TO AVOID REPEAT OF DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTERED IN SCHEDULING SYMPOSIUM TO BE HELD IN U.S. THIS YEAR, AND NOTES THAT IF ERDA HAS ALREADY PROCEEDED WITH ARRANGEMENTS TO SCHEDULE SUBJECT SYMPOSIUM DURING PERIOD OCTOBER 31-NOVEMBER 4, THIS WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE, NOTWITHSTANDING CONCERNS EXPRESSED BY TECHNICAL STAFF. ON OTHER HAND, IF MATTER IS STILL SUFFICIENTLY OPEN THAT SUBJECT SYMPOSIUM COULD BE HELD DURING PERIOD NOVEMBER 27-DECEMBER 2, AGENCY CONFERENCE STAFF BELIEVES THIS MIGHT BE PREFERABLE. BOTH PERIODS ARE BEING KEPT OPEN PENDING ERDA RESPONSE. STONE

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